
Special Education Advisory Panel

AGENDA

Meeting Location

[Vermont Agency of Education](#)

Conference Room 513
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Agenda December 3, 2024

- 10:00 – 10:05 Call to Order, Agenda Changes, and welcome from the Chair, Approval of any outstanding draft minutes
- 10:05 – 10:10 Public comment
- 10:10 – 10:40 Overview of Local Special Education Determination and the Monitoring cycles with Tristan from AOE **Purpose:** To better understand special education determinations and monitoring cycles
- 10:40– 11:00 Alternative Assessment Coordinator Introduction and initial conversation about the upcoming assessment window including accommodations and alternate assessment eligibility. **Purpose:** Panel will be able to ask questions for them to provide future updates and better understand current practices
- 11:00 – 11:30 Part 3 of Independent School Conversation-The Educator lens with Erin Maguire from EWSD **Purpose:** To better understand the role of the school district and school team as it relates to publicly funded students
- 11:30 – 11:50 Briefly review Picus Report special Education **Purpose:** understand recent recommendations/report around funding and special education
- 11:50– 12:35 Working Lunch **Purpose:** To gather final feedback ideas and have discussions related to indicator feedback being sent to AOE at the meeting.

- 12:35 – 1:30 Commission on the Future of Public Education Conversation with Chair Meagan Roy **Purpose:** To understand the scope and purpose of the commissions work as well as their timeline to better understand how we can be involved
- 1:30 – 2:00 Interim Secretary Saunders **Purpose:** Panel will meet Secretary Saunders to hear updates and priorities
- 2:00 – 2:20 Interim State Director of Special Education Cassie **Purpose:** To come meet and engage with the panel around AOE updates and share priorities
- 2:20 – 2:45 SSIP Coordinator Caitlin will discuss the SSIP with Panel **Purpose:** to discuss and engage with AOE around questions and feedback related to SSIP
- 2:45 – 3:00 Briefly discuss and engage with Caitlin around parent engagement feedback/questions **Purpose:** To determine next steps on Indicator 8 feedback
- 3:00 – 3:15 Review as a large group all draft indicator feedback forms and consider any final questions **Purpose:** Final discussion on indicators 3 and 17
- 3:15 – 3:30 Final Decisions on each indicator area as it relates to panel feedback and recommendations. **Purpose:** Will make final determinations by consensus or vote
- 3:30 – 3:45 Next steps on remaining open items **Purpose:** Determine if any next steps are necessary as a group for each topic
- 3:45 – 3:50 Membership updates **Purpose:** updates and potential vote on new member
- 3:50 – 3:55 Public Comment
- 4:00 Adjourn

Purpose

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that each State establish and maintain an advisory panel for the purpose of advising the State special education staff regarding the education of eligible children with disabilities.

Meetings Scheduled:

- January 7, 2025, 4:30pm-7:30pm
 February 4, 2025, 4:30pm-7:30pm
 March 5, 2025, 4:30pm-7:30pm
 April 1, 2025, 4:30pm-7:30pm
 May 6, 2025 (In-Person), 10:00am-4:00pm
 June 3, 2025, 4:30pm-7:30pm